

RHODE ISLAND BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE
MINUTES OF OPEN MEETING
26 JULY 2006

A meeting of the Board of Veterinary Medicine was held on the above date in the RI Department of Health, 3 Capitol Hill, Conference Room 104, Providence, Rhode Island.

A quorum was established and the Administrator called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm

Board members in attendance were Board members not in attendance

David DiMeo, DVM Stacey Rodehorst, DVM
Peter Karczmar, MD Susan Ann Porter, DVM
Wade Cordy, DVM
Mark Povar, DVM

Staff members in attendance were:

Gail Giuliano, Board Administrator
Gregory Madoian, Legal Counsel

Approval of Minutes

After reviewing the open minutes of the last meeting, the Administrator called for a motion to approve the “Open Minutes” of the 26 April 2006. Upon motion of Dr. DiMeo, seconded by Dr. Povar

the Board voted unanimously to accept the minutes as presented.

Adjourn Open Meeting – Enter into Closed Executive Session

The Administrator called for a motion to adjourn the “Open Session” and enter into “Closed Executive Session” for the purpose of discussing disciplinary matters pursuant to the applicable exceptions of the “Open Meeting Law”, so called of Chapter 42-46-5 sub-division (1) and (4) of the General Laws. Upon motion by Dr. Cordy, seconded by Dr. DiMeo, the Board voted unanimously to enter into “Executive Session” at 1:10 p.m.

Return to Open Session

The Board returned to “Open Session” at 1:45 p.m.

Ratifications

The Administrator requested that any decisions ratified during the “Closed Executive Session” be made public for the record, as well as, any business discussed which should be disclosed in the “Open Meeting.”

The Administrator advised there were no decisions ratified during the closed session, therefore there were no reports to make public.

Applicants Licensed prior to meeting:

The Administrator reported that the following candidates have been issued licensees to practice Veterinary Medicine:

**AMANDA BURBANK-KELLY, DVM RACHEL RUSSO, DVM
CHRISTOPHER TOBE, DVM KATHRYN TUXBURY, DVM
JENNIFER KYES, DVM FOREST TOWNSEND, DVM
BRADLEY N. BIRAK, DVM PIA TORRES, DVM
DEBORAH YOON, DVM S. CHRISTOPHER RALPHS, DVM
KRISTIN K. VYHNAL, DVM JODI A. PRETI, DVM
JENNIFER LABRIOLA, DVM CAROLYN N. GRIMES, DVM
CAROLINE D. MAILLOUX, DVM JILL HARRIS, DVM**

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At this time, Dr. DiMeo presented board members with copies of correspondence from Jessica DiNapoli regarding animal physiotherapy and rehabilitation services she is proposing to offer in the near future at J.D Animal Therapy, 4263 Tower Hill Road, Wakefield, RI. After review and discussion, it was determined that such services may only be performed in a veterinary office. The Administrator will advise Ms. DiNapoli that she cannot provide services as an independent practice.

Upon motion of Dr. DiMeo, seconded by Dr. Povar, the Board voted to

seal the Minutes of the closed executive session of 26 April 2006.

Dr. DiMeo reported that he had attended the AVMA Conference where the PAVE examination was discussed and it was determined that PAVE was comparable to the ECFVG. After discussion, the Board agreed that PAVE should be accepted as a pathway to licensure in addition to the ECFVG. The Administrator advised that it would require a statutory change before PAVE could be accepted. Mrs. Giuliano will draft legislation to be submitted to the next legislative session.

Dr. DiMeo also reported that a number of foreign veterinary schools have applied for accreditation from the AVMA.

Next Meeting of the Board

The next, meeting has been rescheduled and will be held on 20 September 2006 at the Department of Health, Conference Room 104 at 1:00 p.m.

Adjournment

Upon motion of Dr. Karczmar, seconded by Dr. Cordy, it was unanimously VOTED by the Board to adjourn the meeting at 2:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail P. Giuliano, Board Administrator
RI Board of Veterinary Medicine